40. From the forest budget funds an expenditure of Rs. 817 has been made in the construction of new cart tracks, and of repairs to an existing one, which penetrate reserved forests.

(1). In the East Khándesh Division Rs. 767 were spent in making cart tracks over a length of 22 miles in the Sávda and Yával Sátpuda mountain forests in their northern profile, in order to open out a grass-producing region of about 70 square miles, which had hitherto been closed against wheeled transport, and from which grass had never been exploited before, for the purpose of extracting grass for supply to famine-affected districts outside Khándesh; this road enabled the grass of the left Aner Valley in the Sávda and Yával Sátpuda hills to be carted to the Ráver railway station, G. I. P. Railway, where a steam press, and several hand-presses were employed in compressing and baling hay; and the road will be very useful in future years for the extraction of timber, bámbus and other forest produce on carts, which hitherto have been unable to get into this wild and difficult part of the country. The greater portion of the outlay has, however, been debited to famine grass operations.

(2). Rs. 50 have been spent on the annual repairs to the Kalambari forest road in the Pimpalner Range of the West Khándesh Division.

(2).—Buildings.

41. A Range Forest Office with a seed room was built in the Mámlatdár's kacheri at Nevása in the Ahmednagar Division, at a cost of Rs. 2,167. Additions and alterations to existing buildings were made, as detailed below, under the sanction given by the Conservator of Forests from the discretionary grant placed at his disposal by Government :—

No.	Executive Officer.	Nature and locality of work.	Amount sanctioned.
			Rs.
1	Executive Engineeer, Khándesh...	Additions and alterations to the Range Forest Office at Bhadgaon.	97
2	Do. Sátára ...	Putting tiles over the corrugated iron roof of the Range Forest Office at Tásgaon.	54
3	Do. do. ...	Making additions and alterations to the Range Forest Office at Malcolmpeth.	447
4	Do. Sholápur ...	Providing a weather board to the window of the Range Forest Office at Sholápur.	.5
5	Do. Sátára ...	Additions and alterations to the Range Forest Office at Sátára.	21
6	Do. do. ...	Additions and alterations to the Range Forest Office at Shirála.	54
7	Do. do. ...	Do. do. at Tásgaon ...	42
8	Do. do. ...	Do. do. at Wái ...	55
9	Do. do. ...	Do. do. at Waduj ...	134
10	Do. do. ...	Do. do. at Dahivadi ...	17
11	Do. do. ...	Constructing a well with retaining wall for the Forest Bungalow at Lingmala.	473
12	Do. do. ...	Making a concrete floor to the Range Forest Office at Pátan.	43
		Total ...	1,442

(3).—Other Works.

42. Rs. 1,256 have been expended in the construction of wells of potable water in the wild forest tracks of the Sátpudas.